→ Russian Defence Ministry reports on the progress of the special military operation (3 December 2024)

The Armed Forces of the Russian Federation continue the special military operation.

■ In Kharkov direction, units of the **Sever** Group of Forces inflicted losses on formations of **the 95th Air Assault Brigade of the AFU** and **13th National Guard Brigade** near Neskuchnoye and Slatino (Kharkov region).

The AFU losses amounted to **more than 40** troops, **two** motor vehicles, and **one** 122-mm **Gvozdika** self-propelled artillery system.

■ Units of the **Zapad** Group of Forces improved the tactical situation and inflicted losses on manpower and hardware of **the 44th Mechanised Brigade**, **25th Airborne Brigade** of the AFU, and **115th Territorial Defence Brigade** near Kupyansk, Lozovaya (Kharkov region), and Ivanovka (Donetsk People's Republic). **Eleven** counter-attacks launched by assault detachments of **the 1st, 4th national guard brigades**, and **113th Territorial Defence Brigade** were repelled.

The AFU losses amounted to **up to 460** troops, **two** motor vehicles, **one** 122-mm **D-30** howitzer, and **two** U.S.-made 105-mm **M119** guns. **One Anklav-N** electronic warfare station and **three** field ammunition depots were destroyed.

As a result of decisive actions, units of the **Yug** Group of Forces **liberated Romanovka** (Donetsk People's Republic).

Losses were inflicted on formations of the 46th Airmobile Brigade, 79th Air Assault Brigade of the AFU, and 37th Marine Brigade near Konstantinovka, Dachnoye, and Slavyansk (Donetsk People's Republic).

The AFU losses amounted to **up to 370** troops, **one** infantry fighting vehicle, **five** motor vehicles, and **one** electronic warfare station. **One** field ammunition depot was destroyed.

■ Units of the **Tsentr** Group of Forces improved the tactical situation along the front line and inflicted losses on manpower and hardware of **the 59th Mechanised Brigade** of the AFU, **38th Marine Brigade**, and **14th National Guard Brigade** near Shevchenko, Grodovka, and Dimitrov (Donetsk People's Republic). **Twelve** counter-attacks launched by assault detachments of **the 42nd, 100th mechanised brigades**, **56th Motorised Infantry Brigade**, **71st Jaeger Brigade** of the AFU, and **35th Marine Brigade** were repelled.

The AFU losses amounted to **more than 555** troops, **four** armoured fighting vehicles, **five** motor vehicles, **one** 152-mm **Msta-B** gun, and **two** 122-mm **D-30** howitzers.

As a result of active offensive operations, units of the **Vostok** Group of Forces **liberated Novodarovka (Zaporozhye region)**.

Losses were inflicted on formations of **the 33rd Mechanised Brigade** of the AFU, **127th** and **241st territorial defence brigades** near Razliv, Komar, and Oktyabr (Donetsk People's Republic). **Two** counter-attacks launched by AFU assault detachments were repelled.

The AFU losses amounted to **up to 155** troops, **one** tank, **four** armoured fighting vehicles, **five** motor vehicles, and **one** 152-mm **Akatsiya** self-propelled artillery system.

■ Units of the **Dnepr** Group of Forces inflicted losses on manpower and hardware of **the 124th** and **126th territorial defence brigades** near Molodezhnoye and Nikolskoye (Kherson region).

The AFU losses amounted to **up to 60** troops and **three** motor vehicles.

- Operational-Tactical Aviation, unmanned aerial vehicles, and Missile Troops and Artillery of the Russian Groups of Forces struck power objects ensuring operation of Ukrainian defence industry enterprises, infrastructure of military airfields, as well as engaged manpower and hardware clusters of the enemy in 142 areas.
- Air defence units shot down 40 fixed-wing unmanned aerial vehicles, including four outside the special military operation zone.
- In total, since the beginning of the special military operation, **649** aircraft, **283** helicopters, **37,122** unmanned aerial vehicles, **586** anti-aircraft missile systems, **19,600** tanks and other armoured fighting vehicles, **1,497** MLRS combat vehicles, **18,897** field artillery guns and mortars, and **28,957** units of support military vehicles have been neutralised.

Night launches: Uragan MLRS of Zapad Group of Forces destroy strongholds, positions, and manpower of AFU

https://archive.org/details/zapad-group-uragan-mlrs-december-3rd-2024

Was UAV teams of Rubikon centre continue to eliminate AFU motor vehicles in Kursk region

Reconnaissance UAV teams of the Rubikon Centre of Advanced Unmanned Technologies of the Russian Defence Ministry located a motor vehicle, which transported AFU troops, in a treeline.

An FPV drone team wiped out the motor vehicle.

https://archive.org/details/rubikon-december-3rd-2024

Servicemen of Eastern MD's hone skills during combat drills

Servicemen of the guards combined arms army fire from different types of weaponry. Targets are hit by AK-12 assault rifles, Kalashnikov machine guns, and sniper rifles of various modifications.

Matter UAV operators study the theory, use computer simulators, and deploy quadcopter-type and FPV drones at training grounds.

EW specialists practise skills on deploying the Palantin-K electronic warfare station. The servicemen perform tasks on fighting against UAVs of the mock enemy.

https://archive.org/details/eastern-md-training-december-3rd-2024

★ T-72B3 tank crew of Tsentr Group of Forces ensures advance of assault detachments in Krasnoarmeysk direction

A T-72B3 tank crew of the Tsentr Group of Forces helped to break through the enemy's defence and with a malfunctioning turret hit during combat provided fire support to infantry fighting vehicles carrying assault detachments during the offensive in Krasnoarmeysk direction.

The tankmen were tasked to penetrate fortified defence of the enemy and cover the Group's assault detachments. In the course of the combat assignment, the tank sustained damage from the enemy's FPV drones and artillery shells, one of the kamikaze drones hit the rotation mechanism of the tank's turret.

To continue supporting comrades during the offensive, the tank crew led by Junior Lieutenant **Grigory Kryshtal**, gunner Corporal **Aleksey Klementiyev**, and driver Sgt. **Vladimir Zamaruyev** decided to go on performing the combat assignment.

Due to heroism of the T-72B3 tank crew, the Group's assault detachments broke through the enemy's defences and captured the AFU strongholds.

https://archive.org/details/tsentr-group-krasnoarmeysk-direction-december-3rd-2024

Air support

A Mi-28NM as a part of a joint task force neutralised AFU manpower and armoured hardware in the border area of Kursk region.

A forward air controller confirmed the target engagement.

Colours and Diploma of President of Russian Federation awarded to newly established 91st Separate Airborne Mobile Logistics Brigade

During a solemn ceremony in the territory of the 106th Guards Airborne Division, Deputy Commander of the Airborne Troops Major General Nariman Timergazin presented the Colours and the Diploma of the President of the Russian Federation to the newly established 91st Separate Airborne Mobile Logistics Brigade.

Deputy Commander of the Airborne Troops read out the Diploma of the President of the Russian Federation and presented Commander of the Separate Mobile Logistics Brigade Colonel Yevgeny Khokhlov with the Colours.

'There is a lot of work ahead of us, it is a new stage of our formation's development. Construction of a new military camp in the deployment area is scheduled for the next year. It is worth noting that all of the necessary contracts to organise construction have been signed and we will start building the new military camp with modern infrastructure the next year.

All our successes and invaluable contribution to the development of the Armed Forces deservedly receive only positive feedback not only from the Airborne Troops command, but also from other military units and formations of the Russian Armed Forces. But we shouldn't forget that this is the first step of the greater work. Our brigade has a lot of tasks to fulfil and will undoubtedly complete all of them.

I congratulate the personnel of the brigade on the anniversary of the formation of the unit and awarding of the unit's Colours! I wish everyone good health, happiness and well-being to you and your families, as well as further success in strengthening the defence capability of the state and our early victory,' said Deputy Commander of the Airborne Troops Major General Nariman Timergazin during the ceremony.

In a solemn atmosphere in the garrison officers' club, the servicemen were presented with state awards of the Russian Federation for their services to the Fatherland in the performance of combat tasks during the special military operation.

Cover a year of the 91st Separate Airborne Mobile Logistics Brigade's existence, for bravery and heroism demonstrated during the special military operation, 24

servicemen were presented with the orders For Courage, more than 80 servicemen received medals For Bravery, and up to 200 servicemen were awarded with Suvorov and Zhukov medals.

https://archive.org/details/separate-airborne-mobile-logistics-brigade-december-3rd-2024

→ Russian Defence Ministry reports on repelling AFU attempt to invade Russian territory in Kursk region (3 December 2024)

The Armed Forces of the Russian Federation continue the operation to neutralise an enemy group, which broke into the territory of Kursk region.

- Units of the **Sever** Group of Forces inflicted losses on formations of **the 21st, 41st, 44th, 47th** mechanised brigades, **17th** Heavy Mechanised Brigade, **5th** Tank Brigade, **80th, 82nd, 95th** air assault brigades, **112th** and **129th** territorial defence brigades of the AFU near Aleksandriya, Viktorovka, Kurilovka, Lebedevka, Leonidovo, Malaya Loknya, Martynovka, Nizhny Klin, Nikolayevo-Daryino, Nikolsky, Novoivanovka, Plyokhovo, Sverdlikovo, and Yuzhny.
- Operational-Tactical and Army aviation and artillery inflicted losses on manpower and hardware of the enemy near Agronom, Guyevo, Makhovka, Novaya Sorochina, Staraya Sorochina, Cherkasskoye Porechnoye as well as Basovka, Belovody, Veselovka, Vodolagi, Zhuravka, and Obody in Sumy region.
- Over the past 24 hours, the AFU losses amounted to more than 300 troops. Two tanks, four infantry fighting vehicles, including two U.S.-made Bradley infantry fighting vehicles, 17 armoured fighting vehicles, 14 motor vehicles, three artillery guns, and six mortars were destroyed.
- Since the beginning of hostilities in Kursk region, the AFU losses amounted to more than 37,655 troops, 228 tanks, 165 infantry fighting vehicles, 123 armoured personnel carriers, 1,223 armoured fighting vehicles, 1,079 motor vehicles, 308 artillery guns, 40 MLRS launchers, including 11 of HIMARS and six of MLRS made by the USA, 13 anti-aircraft missile launchers, seven transport-loading vehicles, 70 EW stations, 13 counter-battery warfare radars, four air defence radars, 27 units of engineering and other materiel, including 13 counterobstacle vehicles, one UR-77 mine clearing vehicle, six armoured recovery vehicles, and one command post vehicle.

The operation to neutralise the AFU units is in progress.

X One more AFU tank destroyed

In the course of reconnaissance in Kharkov region, servicemen of the Sever Group of Forces located movement of an AFU tank in a treeline.

After analysis of the acquired intelligence, it was decided to inflict fire damage on the enemy's tank.

As a result, a direct hit of an FPV drone wiped out the AFU tank.



MLRS crews of Tula paratroopers hit AFU infantry cluster

BM-21 Grad MLRS crews of the Tula Guards Airborne Formation eliminated the enemy's infantry in the border area of Kursk region.

https://archive.org/details/tula-paratroopers-bm-21-grad-mlrs-december-3rd-2024

X Su-35S crews perform task during combat alert duties in border areas of Kursk region

The goal of the combat alert duty is protecting bomber and ground-attack aviation and Army Aviation helicopters, when aircraft deliver strikes at AFU military objects and armoured hardware in the designated area.

https://archive.org/details/su-35-s-december-3rd-2024

🥐 Southern MD's servicemen start winter combat training season at training grounds

In the course of the preparatory period, training facilities at combined arms training grounds and training centres of the Southern MD's were renovated, and new facilities were set up for training servicemen, taking into account the experience gained during the special military operation. During the winter training season, particular attention will be attached to practical training of existing and search for new ways of organising combat operations in conditions of modern warfare.

https://archive.org/details/southern-md-winter-training-december-3rd-2024

→ On 3 December 2024, in the course of joint drills of the Groups of Forces of the Russian Navy and Russian Aerospace Forces in the eastern part of the Mediterranean Sea, sea- and air-based precision missiles were launched.

As a part of the Russian Navy action group, frigates Admiral of the Soviet Union Fleet Gorshkov and Admiral Golovko fired Tsirkon hypersonic missiles, and the dieselelectric submarine Novorossiysk launched a Kalibr cruise missile at a naval target. At the same time, a Bastion coastal missile system launched an Oniks cruise missile from a designated area on the coast of the Mediterranean Sea.

of the assigned targets were eliminated by direct hits.

The drills take place from 1 to 3 December 2024 according to the combat training plan of the Armed Forces of the Russian Federation under supervision of Commander-in-Chief of the Russian Navy Admiral Aleksandr Moiseyev.

When preparing for the drills, units of the Group of Troops (Forces) of the Armed Forces of the Russian Federation were built up in the eastern part of the Mediterranean Sea. Groups of attack and anti-submarine all-arms forces that have been formed undergo missile, artillery, and torpedo live fires, as well as practically deploy bombs. A part of combat training exercises is performed with the use of precision weaponry and the newest means of destruction, which have been adopted by the Russian Navy and Russian Aerospace Forces.

More than 1,000 troops, 10 ships and support vessels, 24 aircraft, including the Russian Aerospace Forces MiG-31I fighter jets equipped with **Kinzhal** hypersonic missiles, and **Bastion** coastal missile systems are involved in the drills.

The drills in the eastern Mediterranean Sea are being conducted in compliance with the applicable norms of international law and the agreements of the Russian Federation with foreign States on the prevention of maritime incidents outside territorial waters and in the airspace above them.

https://archive.org/details/russian-navy-and-russian-aerospace-forces-eastern-mediterranean-december-3rd-2024

On the International Day of Persons with Disabilities, Vladimir Putin is touring JSC CITO, one of Russia's leading companies in the medical industry and rehabilitation equipment manufacturing

The President was shown the prosthetics manufacturing floor, the fitting and gait training room, and the kinesiotherapy and gait diagnostics room.

Vladimir Putin has also spoken with servicepeople who saw action in the special military operation and are currently undergoing treatment and rehabilitation at the company's medical facility.

JSC CITO includes over 11,000 square metres of production facilities and 275 units of state-of-the-art equipment. The company manufactures a wide range of individual rehabilitation equipment. JSC CITO extensively uses of in-house components, and covers over 30 percent of the Russian market's demand for medical equipment, offering competitive domestically produced goods.

The company operates an on-site medical advisory and rehabilitation centre providing a barrier-free environment and boasting cutting-edge equipment, some of it Al-based.

JSC CITO is a leading force in manufacturing high-tech prosthetics for servicepeople participating in the special military operation. Since 2022, the company has produced over 5,000 prosthetic limbs.

https://archive.org/details/international-day-of-persons-with-disabilities-2

First drills of winter combat training season take place at Leningrad MD's training grounds

In the winter combat training season, motorised rifle, artillery, tank, missile, EOD, and reconnaissance units practise tank driving skills, fire tank and armoured fighting vehicles weaponry, practise using man-portable anti-tank grenade launchers, assault rifles, sniper rifles, and other types of small arms.

Particular attention is paid to training of those servicemen, who will be deployed in the special military operation zone to perform tasks. Instructors with extensive combat experience gained during the special military operation are to supervise the planned tactical drills and training.

https://archive.org/details/leningrad-md-training-grounds-december-3rd-2024

Metis ATGM crews of Dnepr Groups of Forces wipe out AFU manpower cluster in Orekhov direction



Zaporozhye region

'We deploy Metis, Fagot, Kornet ATGMs, I mean all ATGMs used by our anti-tank units. We perform different combat tasks and engage various targets. We engage the enemy's manpower and armoured hardware,' said ATGM operator with the call sign 'Arbat'.

https://archive.org/details/dnepr-group-metis-atgm-december-3rd-2024

🗱 Russian artillerymen leave no chances to enemy: mortar men of Vostok Group of Forces stop AFU counter-attack

A 240-mm Tyulpan self-propelled mortar crew precisely hit a Ukrainian motorised rifle group trying to launch an offensive on positions of Russian assault detachments.

As a result of cohesive actions of artillerymen and assault detachments, the AFU losses amounted to **up to 50** troops, **seven** motor vehicles, and **three** armoured fighting vehicles.

https://archive.org/details/vostok-group-240-mm-tyulpan-december-3rd-2024

Captured AFU serviceman: 'Commanders said that they would beat you, cut you, mock you'

Captured AFU serviceman Sergei Stokoz said that he was unfit for active service, yet he was sent to a training unit and then to Kursk region, where he was taken prisoner. He recalls that AFU commanders tried to make new recruits fear the so-called 'cruelty' of Russian servicemen. Now, he knows that commanders lied to him.

'I was too scared to run away, although that might have been wiser to do so. I was captured, when we got to positions on the 24th. We just went out and surrendered without any weapons or gear. We were treated good, they gave us water and food. Our commanders said, don't surrender, they will beat you, cut you, mock you, and so on and so forth,' said the POW.

https://archive.org/details/ukraine-pow-december-3rd-2024

UAV teams of Yug Group of Forces obliterate AFU fortifications and manpower

Kurakhovo direction

Our servicemen located positions of Ukrainian nationalists in a treeline, where up to 10 AFU troops were deployed. Having located the approaching drone, the militants tried to take shelter in a dugout and an attack FPV drone eliminated them.

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- During a visit to the JSC CITO, President of the Russian Federation Vladimir Putin talked to servicemen, who took part in the special military operation and are currently undergoing treatment and rehabilitation at the company's medical facility.
- As a result of successful offensive operations, the Armed Forces of the Russian Federation liberated Romanovka (Donetsk People's Republic) and Novodarovka (Zaporozhye region).
- The Armed Forces of the Russian Federation continue the operation to neutralise an enemy group, which broke into the territory of Kursk region. Over the past 24 hours, the AFU losses amounted to more than 300 troops. Two tanks, four infantry fighting vehicles, including two U.S.-made Bradley infantry fighting vehicles, 17 armoured fighting vehicles, 14 motor vehicles, three artillery guns, and six mortars were destroyed.

- The Russian Defence Ministry shows FPV drone teams, a BM-21 Grad MLRS crew, Su-35S aircraft, and Mi-28NM in action in the border area of Kursk region.
- In the course of joint drills of the Groups of Forces of the Russian Navy and Russian Aerospace Forces in the eastern part of the Mediterranean Sea, sea- and air-based precision missiles were launched.
- First drills of the winter combat training season take place at the Leningrad MD's training grounds.